



FACT SHEET

For FHWA Funded Programs Available to Local Public Agencies (LPA)

Programming a Project:

- ◆ FHWA funded LPA Programs that have program specific applications:
 - * Transportation Alternatives Program
 - * Recreational Trails Program
 - * Local Roads Safety Program
 - * Safe Routes to Schools Program
- ◆ FHWA funded LPA Programs that require DOTD Stage 0 documentation:
 - * Surface Transportation Program >200K and <200K
 - * Highway Safety Improvement Program
- ◆ Off-System Bridge Replacement Program requires a fiscally constrained prioritized list from LPA with Stage 0 documentation for top projects

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Applications

Applications and the Stage 0 Documents Can Be Found on the Program Specific Websites below:

- ◆ **Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) - DOTD's Urban System Program:**
http://wwwsp.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions/Multimodal/Transportation_Planning/Pages/Metropolitan_Planning_Organizations.aspx
 - ◆ **Contact:** Jacques Deville, Jacques.Deville@LA.GOV or Anna Hanks, Anna.Hanks@LA.GOV
- ◆ **Transportation Alternatives Program:**
http://wwwsp.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions/Engineering/Project_Management/TAP/Pages/default.aspx
 - ◆ **Contact:** Laura Riggs, Laura.Riggs@LA.GOV
- ◆ **Local Roads Safety Program:**
<http://www.ltrc.lsu.edu/ltrap/lrsp.html>
 - ◆ **Rudynah Capone**, Rudynah.Capone@LA.GOV
- ◆ **Safe Routes to Schools Program:**
 - ◆ **Contact:** Scott Gros, Scott.Gros@LA.GOV
- ◆ **Recreational Trails Program:**
www.crt.state.la.us/parks/RTP-Overview.aspx
- ◆ **DOTD Stage 0 Required Documentation:**
http://wwwsp.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions/Multimodal/Pages/Stage_0.aspx
 - ◆ **Contact:** Connie Porter, Connie.Porter@LA.GOV
- ◆ **LPA Manual:**
http://wwwsp.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions/Administration/LPA/Pages/default.aspx
 - ◆ **Contact:** Ann Wills, Ann.Wills@LA.GOV
- ◆ **Strategic Highway Safety Plan:**
http://wwwsp.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions/Multimodal/Highway_Safety/Pages/Destination_Zero_Deaths.aspx
 - ◆ **Contact:** April Renard, April.Renard@LA.GOV
- ◆ **Highway Safety Improvement Program:**
http://wwwsp.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions/Multimodal/Highway_Safety/Pages/default.aspx

Available LPA Federal Highway Programs

Surface Transportation Program (STP) >200K and <200K

- ◆ DOTD calls this the Urban System Program. Flexible Federal funding that may be used by the two categories of local metropolitan areas: Populations greater than 200K and populations between 50K and 200K. Each of the areas has a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) which works with the DOTD Planning Section to determine projects for their area. **Typical projects include: Road/Bridge Construction (New & Rehabilitation), traffic signalization, mass transportation studies, pedestrian & bicycle facilities, and safety improvements.** *If you wish to apply, you must contact the MPO in your area. Typically, the MPOs require a project application with the Stage 0 study (which includes the Stage 0 and Environmental checklists.)*

Transportation Alternatives Program

- ◆ This funding is for programs and projects defined as **transportation alternatives** - to expand transportation choices and enhance the transportation experience for pedestrians & cyclists, community improvement and environmental mitigation. **Typical projects include: On- and off-road pedestrian and bicycle facilities, infrastructure projects for improving non-driver access to public transportation and enhanced mobility, conversion & use of abandoned railroad corridors for non-motorized users, turnouts for overlooks & viewing areas, community improvement activities, and environmental mitigation.** *If you wish to apply, you must go to the DOTD Transportation Alternative website to get application guidelines and information, including the project application to complete and submit, plus the timeline for the annual call for projects.*

Local Roads Safety Program (LRSP)

- ◆ Established to increase local community participation in road safety and to develop and implement road safety improvements to reduce fatalities and injuries on locally owned public roads. **Typical projects include: Low cost traffic & roadway safety improvements, and transportation & roadway safety initiatives.** *If you wish to apply, you must go to the LA Local Road Safety Program website to get application guidelines and information, including the project application to complete and submit.*

Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Program

- ◆ Established to enable and encourage children to walk and bicycle to school by making it safe; and to facilitate the planning, development and implementation of projects that will improve safety within 2 miles of a K-8 school. **Typical projects include: Construction of sidewalks, bike paths or other facilities near a school to improve unsafe conditions, education outreach to teach pedestrians and bicycle safety skills to kids, encouragement to increase walking and biking to school, and enforcement of traffic laws near a school.** *If you wish to apply, you must go to the DOTD Safe Routes to School website to get application guidelines and information, including the project application to complete and submit.*

Off-System Bridge Program

- ◆ Enables Parishes to improve the condition of structurally deficient or functionally obsolete highway bridges on public roads through replacement or rehabilitation. **Typical projects include: Rehabilitation or replacement with reinforced concrete box, culvert pipe, AASHTO girder, concrete slab span, quad beam, and steel arch bridges.** *Every 2 years, DOTD sends each Parish a list of deficient bridges in their Parish that qualify for this program with a cost estimate for each and a total funding allocation. The Parish then prioritizes the list based on their funding allocation available and notifies DOTD which bridges they want to program for these 2 years and submits Stage 0 for top projects. DOTD manages the design and construction.*

Recreational Trails Program

- ◆ Established to develop and maintain recreational trails and trail-related facilities for both non-motorized and motorized recreational trail uses. **Typical projects include: Motorized and Non Motorized trails - on and off-road.** *If you wish to apply, you must go to the LA Recreational Trails website to get application guidelines and information, including the project application to complete and submit.*

Highway Safety Improvement Program - Railroad Crossings

- ◆ Reduces the number of fatalities and injuries at public highway-rail grade crossings through the elimination of hazards and/or the installation/upgrade of warning devices at crossings. **Typical projects include: Passive & Active Warning devices, crossing surface improvements, and corridor safety projects.** *All public crossings in LA are assessed by DOTD for safety issues or concerns and a prioritized list of crossings is then reviewed for funding by a Diagnostic Review team - who evaluate conditions at the crossings to make determinations or recommendations concerning safety needs at the crossings. An LPA Representative will be invited to the Diagnostic Review if the crossing is on a road owned by an LPA.*

Highway Safety Improvement Program - Roadways

- ◆ Reduces the number of fatalities and injuries on all public roadways. **Typical projects include: any strategy, activity or project on a public road that is consistent and prioritized with the data-driven State Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) and corrects or improves a hazardous road location or feature or addresses a highway safety problem.** *An LPA should discuss safety issues on State owned roads with their DOTD Division Administrator. Safety issues on locally owned roads should be submitted to the Local Road Safety Program.*